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Editors by the 20th of the previous month.

Sunday Morning Net Schedules

- **2 Meter/ 70cm Net**.....at 09:30et on W3QV repeater
- **10-on-10 Net**at 10:00et 28.393 MHz USB (±QRM)
- **75 meter Net**at 10:20et 3.993 MHz LSB

License Examinations

are held on the **first non-holiday Thursday** each month
(except July and August) at

Northeast High School,

Cottman and Algon Streets, Philadelphia PA

Registration begins at 6:00 P.M. Enter through the SPARC
wing. Exams begin and doors closed and locked at **6:30 P.M.**
Sharp! Applicants should call Dusty ND3Q at 215-879-0505
(day) or 215 482 0386 (eve) for the latest information.

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changes, and articles that are for the membership e-mail
list should be sent to: wb3koj@comcast.net

The club meets at 7:30 PM on the **second non-**
holiday Wednesday of every month except
July and August at

The Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill

801 Ridge Pike

Lafayette Hill, PA 19444-1799

All visitors are welcome!

Club Stations

W3QV Club Repeater - Trustee: W3BBB

Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA

147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz

Reach us on Echolink through WU3I-L

W3AA at Northeast High School -Trustee: WU3I

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WB3KOJ & WB3KOH
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Youth: N3MT

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W3AA Trustee: WU3I
Welcome: K3CJ.

PMRC Auctionfest:

January 11, 2006

7pm – Masonic Village, Lafayette Hill PA

Not a traditional hamfest, but an indoor auction of amateur radio equipment and ham-related computer gear, will be offered to the highest bidder. (Sellers may set a "minimum", or starting bid.) There are no tables for rent, and no outside vendors. Admission is free, and all are invited to attend. However, Sellers (only) pay the club a \$2 registration fee, plus a commission of 10% of the selling price (max. of \$30 per item). It's an annual fun event. Bring gear you want to sell, or just come and buy some bargains. We look forward to seeing you there. Talk-In: on W3QV/R. Contact: Richard Moll, W3RM

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PMRC 2006 Officers Election Results

At the December meeting we held our annual election of officers. The official report of results is in the meeting minutes, but your editor was asked to serve as "Associate Judge of Elections" since W3BBB couldn't make it to the meeting.

With his able action in collecting the absentee ballots in advance of the meeting, and further assistance from WU3I, W3RM and NG3P in delivering and tallying ballots and cross checking the results (no recounts like we've had in *some* years!), we also had the opportunity to grab some images of those attending and voting as well as the final tally board.



President		
N3FH		16
K3BIV		40
W3STW		2
Directors		
W3BBB		49
N3MT		24
N3XKE		30
WU3I		14
W3KIO		15
NS3K		10



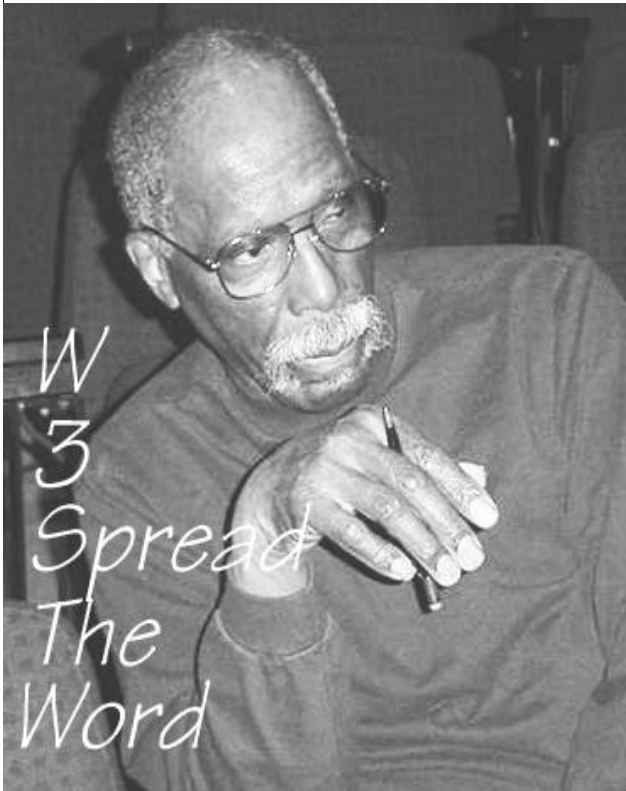


photo: WA3KIO

Spread The Word

--de Al W3STW, 2005 PMRC President

Congratulations to the new PMRC Officers. As I leave the presidency of this very fine organization, I feel lifted up by the participation of the membership in making some very important choices for the future leaders of the organization. The new officers have a task at hand that needs a vision, decision and a strong determination regarding continuing (or not) to operate W3AA/W3YC and the organizations' affiliation with the school where W3AA is located. It is to large a task for me alone. I hope you all have had a great Holiday Season. Have happy and prosperous year, STAY WELL (spread the word)

--73 W3STW Al.

December 2005 Board Meeting

The December meeting of the Board of the Directors of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc., was held at radio station WRDV, Hatboro, PA, on December 7, 2005. President Al Tribble, W3STW, presided, calling the meeting to order at 7:55 P.M. with the following additional directors in attendance and voting: Bill W3AOK, Maggie K3XS, Dick W3RM, Ed KB3IV, Steve WU3I, and Eric N3QV.

W3RM provided the treasurer's report of income and disbursements for November, including scholarship fund receipts. Upon motion, the report was accepted.

In connection with the upcoming election, Dick presented a 'nominating petition' endorsed by 11 members, prepared by and for Ra Heffernan, N3FH, who seeks nomination for the office of president, as required by the election rules inasmuch as Ra chaired the nominating committee. The petition was found to be in order, and upon motion, was approved by the board. W3RM also reported that Jim, W3BBB, the appointed judge of election, is accepting and authenticating the absentee ballots. Jim will not, however, be able to attend the December election meeting. Accordingly, the president appointed Maggie, K3XS, to serve as 'associate judge of election' to conduct the actual balloting and tally of votes at the December 14 election meeting.

The board discussed the status and

future of the club station located at the Northeast High School, where activity has been sparse of late. W3STW, who recently moved, has been unable to man the station recently; and Steve, WU3I, noted that a change in his work schedule has also precluded his attendance there during school hours. It was noted that some of the club-owned equipment, formerly at W3AA's Franklin Institute location, is now in storage, and is surplus to our needs. After discussion, it was voted to offer several pieces for sale at the upcoming club auction in January: A Kenwood TS-950S Transceiver; Kenwood TL-922A Linear Amplifier; and a Kenwood SM-230 Station Monitor. The board set minimum acceptable bids on each item, and a package price for the three.

There being no further business, upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric D. Marano, N3QV
Secretary

December 2005 General Meeting Minutes

The December General member meeting of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc., was held at The Masonic Village in Lafayette Hill, PA, on December 14, 2005. President Al Tribble, W3STW, presided, calling the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Dick W3RM commented on the status of the treasury and the status of the scholarship fund.

An election was held naming club elected officials.

President - KB3IV

Vice President - W3AOK

Secretary - N3QV

Treasurer - W3RM

Directors - W3BBB, WU3I, N3XKE

There being no further business, upon motion, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eric D. Marano, N3QV
Secretary

de KE3QB, Public Service Chair

Hello to all Phil-mont Members and guests:

I have to address an issue with everyone that concerns me. It is about the MS 150 2006 Survey. First off, I would like to thank everyone that has gone to our club homepage, the W3Publicservice Yahoo group or the MS150 home page to look and fill out your comments on the survey. Christina Franzel at the MS office is interested in the Ham Radio Community input on this survey. She and others at the office are looking for opinions, suggestions and comments on how to get the ham radio operators and now even some of the local CB groups more involved in organizing next years event.

The one factor that is important here is that your comments and or suggestions should be in a constructive sense, NOT a destructive way. Now, some of you, I know do not volunteer for your own personal reasons. That's fine. Then, by all means, keep those personal feelings to yourself. This event is one of PUBLIC SERVICE to the MS society which can not succeed well without the aid of Amateur Radio Operators.

The survey itself has meaning and purpose for those like me that would like to see some improvements made for next year. The results of the survey hopefully will generate interest in some of you to volunteer for 2006. One thing that the survey is "NOT FOR" is to vent your own personal frustrations or so called "FINGER" pointing about certain individuals that you are not happy to associate with. Now I also am aware that this is one of the reasons why many of you don't volunteer. Well, everybody, its time to get over it! It is bad enough that our Amateur radio population as we know it has not grown in numbers the past few years. With all the advances in technology, it is hard to hold the attention of the younger crowd today.

So when an event like the MS150 occurs, which provides all of us with food and refreshments and a room for the night and we return a public service to them which is scrutinized not only by the news media, sometimes but also by local and state officials, don't you think you can set your disagreements aside and provide a service that has a purpose

of satisfaction and accomplishment.? I perform a small part in the MS150 event but regardless I am there helping out like everyone else is because the event succeeds with our help on the routes, in the support vehicles and in net control. When I am there, I make it a fun day, meeting new people, answering questions and seeing old faces year after year. With help from others, my part in the upcoming event may involve taking on extra responsibilities and there maybe some changes for 2006. It is still too early to tell. This whole topic is like a jigsaw puzzle, you can't see the whole picture until all the pieces fit together.

The MS 150 event runs rain or shine with or without ham radio volunteers but the complete picture of the event is not fully complete without us. Please, don't make something fun and worthwhile into a chance to settle personal vendettas against each other. Stay home if you feel that way. If you want to do something rewarding that will give you a sense of accomplishment, and then volunteer for 2006. I need you out there and the MS society wants us out there. Please keep in mind, this topic is strictly my opinion and I welcome any POSITIVE comments or replies.

Carmen, KE3QB



January Birthdays

02 Marlene Spangler (XYL W3DSS)
 03 Jon Verlin - KA3VU
 05 Dorene Weiner (XYL WX3PHI)
 06 Ted Mills - N3UP
 07 Ray Heffernan - N3FH
 13 Jon Balch - W3KG
 15 Denise Burstein - KB3ANO
 Karen Lenczynski (XYL KA3EIP)
 16 Bill Sullivan - N3QMH
 19 Bill Mescanti - K2LK
 30 Bill Kane - N3OOL

Directory Update

With this BLURB you received your 2006 Dues Invoice & Directory Information Sheet. Please verify the information and return it with your dues (and optional PMRC Scholarship Fund donation) to:
DICK MOLL
P.O. BOX 88
ABINGTON, PA 19001-0088

Your early reply will save the club additional expenses and will speed-up the publishing of the 2006 P.M.R.C. Directory.

MEMBERSHIP STATS
 Will resume in March

DON'T FORGET!

PMRC

Auctionfest

January 11 2006

7 pm

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January 2006 with PMRC

Sunday 01	NCS: 2m:K3XS HF:N3QV
Monday 02	
Tuesday 03	
Wednesday 04	PMRC Board Meeting: WRDV Hatboro
Thursday 05	
Friday 06	
Saturday 07	
Sunday 08	ARRL Kid's Day NCS: 2m:WU3I HF:WA3KIO
Monday 09	
Tuesday 10	
Wednesday 11	AUCTIONFEST See Page 3
Thursday 12	
Friday 13	
Saturday 14	
Sunday 15	NCS: KB3IV
Monday 16	
Tuesday 17	
Wednesday 18	
Thursday 19	
Friday 20	
Saturday 21	
Sunday 22	NCS: 2m: WB3KOJ HF: tba
Monday 23	
Tuesday 24	
Wednesday 25	
Thursday 26	
Friday 27	
Saturday 28	
Sunday 29	NCS: tba
Monday 30	
Tuesday 31	

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